

REMARKS

Claim 5, as amended, remains herein. Claims 1-4 and 6 have been cancelled.

This Amendment is believed to place this application fully in condition for allowance, and surely in better condition for any appeal. Thus, entry of this Amendment and allowance of claim 5 are respectfully requested.

Claims 1, 2 and 4-6 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over Noriyuki et al. JP 04-365349, Kazuo et al. JP 2000-001771, and Hide JP 2001-316797. Claims 1, 2, 4 and 6 have been cancelled, mooting the rejection respecting those claims. Regarding claim 5, the Office Action admits that none of Noriyuki, Kazuo, nor Hide discloses coating at least one substrate holder in an evaporating room with a coating of MgO film on a substrate, while another substrate in the evaporating room remains without such a coating of MgO film, as recited in applicants' claim 5. The Office Action states that it would be obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to combine Noriyuki, Kazuo, and Hide for the purpose of improving ease of maintenance of the carriers and increasing the release coefficient of secondary electrons. But since the Office Action admitted that none of these references requires that at least one substrate in the evaporating room be free of a film coating, the combined references do not contain every element of applicants' claim 5.

Nor would it be obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to combine Noriyuki, Kazuo, and Hide to render applicants' claim 5 obvious. Unlike Kazuo and Hide, applicants' invention does not utilize shields to prevent gases from reaching a substrate. And unlike Noriyuki, applicants' invention does not clean each substrate after a certain amount of film has accumulated on the substrate. Rather, applicants combine filmed and non-filmed

substrates in an evaporating room to keep a steadier gas concentration, which improves manufacturing characteristics. None of Noriyuki nor Kazuo nor Hide, nor anything else in this record provides any motivation to one of ordinary skill in the art to implement such a system.

Since Noriyuki, Kazuo, and Hide each fails to disclose every element of applicants' claim 5; and since none of Noriyuki, Kazuo, Hide, nor any other prior art of record provides any motivation to combine the references to render applicants' claim 5 obvious, Noriyuki, Kazuo, and Hide are inadequate grounds for rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a). Thus, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection are respectfully requested.

Accordingly, claim 5 is now fully in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is respectfully requested. The PTO is hereby authorized to charge/credit any fee deficiencies or overpayments to Deposit Account No. 19-4293. If further amendments would place this application in even better condition for issue, the Examiner is invited to call applicants' undersigned attorney at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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